



JON M. HUNTSMAN, JR.  
Governor

GARY R. HERBERT  
Lieutenant Governor

# State of Utah

## DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

MICHAEL R. STYLER  
Executive Director

### Division of Oil Gas and Mining

JOHN R. BAZA  
Division Director

August 21, 2007

Mr. Brent Robinson, member  
Skutumpah Enterprises LLC  
108 South 300 East  
Kanab, Utah 84741

Subject: Deficient Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, Skutumpah Enterprises LLC, Mill Creek Burnt Shale, S/025/028, Task #1886, Kane County, Utah

Dear Mr. Robinson:

Thank you for submitting the Notice of Intention (Notice) received by the Division July 18, 2007. The review of the Notice has resulted in several actions necessary to finalize the Notice. These actions are outlined in the enclosed email copy titled "Form-SMO- Application for a Small Mine" emailed on August 20, 2007 to [skutumpah1@hotmail.com](mailto:skutumpah1@hotmail.com).

The reclamation bond (surety) amount required is \$27000.00 escalated five years to 2012. The enclosed email copy from Mr. Powell, BLM indicates concurrence on this amount. The surety amount is for a disturbance of five (5) acres and includes a BLM administrative cost.

Please contact Mr. Jed Pearson, 801-538-5382 for information on the steps required to submit the surety of \$27000.00 and the small mine reclamation contract. Please ensure the BLM is named as a co-beneficiary on the surety.

Your prompt attention to the deficiencies in the Notice will result in gaining quicker Division permit acceptance. Please call Beth Ericksen at 801-538-5318 with specific questions regarding the Notice.

Sincerely,

Susan M. White  
Mining Program Coordinator  
Minerals Regulatory Program

SMW:BE:pb

Enclosure: email copy, FORM MR-SMO – application for a small mine, email copy, Robinson Burnt Shale Operation  
P:\GROUPS\MINERALS\WP\M025-Kane\S0250028 MillCreek\final\def-008222007.doc



**From:** Beth Ericksen  
**To:** skutumpah1@hotmail.com  
**Date:** 8/20/2007 5:34 PM  
**Subject:** Form MR-SMO - application for a small mine  
**Place:** BONDCOORDINATOR  
**Attachments:** smo-03132007.doc

**CC:** BONDCOORDINATOR

Hi Brent-

In the process of reviewing the notice for the small mine project, the following should be addressed:

Map (the 8.5x11 map)

1. provide north arrow
2. label access roads with their names, if they are unnamed, label them as such
3. provide a scale
4. identify where the access road goes that runs parallel to the creek
5. label your mined area (rather than "1st area to be mined"), label it the name of your mine and the acres to be disturbed (5 acres)
6. The BLM road you created (abt .25 mile), please identify it on the map for informational purposes.
7. Title the map (i.e. Operations Map, Mill Creek - Burnt Shale)

Take photos of the pre-disturbed area and label them. This effort is to show the current vegetation

Take photos of the surrounding area and label them.

because you are interested in a 'rolling bond', the veg images are important.

Send the photos to the Division and include a cover letter identifying them.

In addition, as discussed on the phone, ensure the legal description is specific to the area to be disturbed. The Exhibit A identifies a legal description that encompasses a larger area than the planned disturbance, which must be corrected for your proposed area of disturbance.

According to Exhibit A, each of the four areas that are shown on the map are about 10 acres each. Since you will be disturbing 5 acres, the segment you have labeled, shows about 10 acres of which requires a large mining permit with the state. Please ensure the map labeling shows only 5 acres of disturbance, and show where it is located specifically. For example, will you be disturbing the northern portion of the southern portion first? This information must be very specific.

Based on the content of the application disturbing 5 acres, the bond will be \$27000.00 escalated 5 yrs out and includes BLM administrative costs (indirect costs). I have spoken to Doug with the BLM and he has concurred on the bond amount. You can call him 435 644 4323 with any questions you may have. He will email me a concurrence letter agreeing to the \$27000.00 bond amount.

In addition, please call Mr. Jed Pearson, 801 538 5382 and let him know you would like to submit a bond. Ask him for a reclamation contract well. He will assist you with that portion of the approval process.

Attached to this email, is an application for a small mine. Please complete the legal description portion, the name of the Quad map and re-submit it to the Division, attn Beth Ericksen. The address is at the top of the application. Resubmit the 8.5x11 map

If you have any questions, please call me, 801 538 5318

Beth Ericksen  
mining engineer  
State of Utah  
Division of Oil Gas and Mining

cc: Jed Pearson, bond coordinator

**From:** <John\_Powell@blm.gov>  
**To:** <bethericksen@utah.gov>  
**Date:** 8/20/2007 5:29 PM  
**Subject:** Robinson Burnt Shale Operation  
**Attachments:** Robinson Sale EA 081706.doc; Robinson Mine Plan.doc

Beth,

As I mentioned in our phone conversation, I have attached the EA and Mine/Reclamation Plan that the BLM completed for the Robinson Burnt Shale Material Sale. As discussed, I am in agreement to a bond of \$27,000 for the initial 5 acres of disturbance. Mr. Robinson does not have any reclamation/bonding requirement for roads at this time. All of the roads are existing or have been established at our request.

Doug Powell, Geologist  
Bureau of Land Management  
Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument  
190 E. Center Street, Kanab, UT 84741  
Tel: 435-644-4323  
Fax: 435-644-4350  
john\_powell@blm.gov

(See attached file: Robinson Sale EA 081706.doc)(See attached file: Robinson Mine Plan.doc)